

# MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA COMMON COUNCIL

JANUARY 3, 2017

6:00 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Common Council of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:** The Pledge to the Flag was recited by those present.

**PRAYER:** Councilman Berkemeier led those present in prayer.

**ROLL CALL:** Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, Craig Smith, Brad Berkemeier, Gary Cameron, and student advisor, Antonia Walker answered roll call. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse, and Kate Thurston, *Rushville Republican*.

**MINUTES:** Cameron made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2016 meeting as presented. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:** None.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT:** None.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Council President Bridges said he attended a meeting with the Youth & Philanthropy Group. He said they had some good conversation and they also shared some good ideas.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- **Stellar Designation** – Mayor Pavey asked Council if they would like to have quarterly updates on projects. Council said they would. There was nothing new to report on Stellar.
- **Amphitheater/Park Board** – Cameron said they are working to schedule the last few shows.
- **Marketing** – Pavey said a meeting was held today. He said they are making progress.
- **APC/BZA** – Nothing to report.
- **City Center** – Mayor Pavey passed out a packet of information regarding the bid for City Center. There was a series of deductions that he had made and some options for the

contractor. These changes helped to get us within our budget, but the project was incomplete. Pavey said he feels that we are at an impasse. Newhouse suggested asking the architect to make a recommendation as to what they think the City's options are. Maybe we should ask them to redesign the project so it matches our budget. Bridges made a motion to ask the architect to give us a recommendation by the 15<sup>th</sup> of this month. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- **Cherry Street Extension** – Nothing to report.
- **Brownfield Grant** – Borings are being done on the old rail near the water treatment plant, which is considered a part of the levee.
- **ECDC** – Nothing to report.

#### **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Police** – Chief Tucker reported that the Board of Works hired Cory Hill as a part-time dispatcher.

He said the application process for the patrolman position is closed. They will begin testing January 14<sup>th</sup>. They had 6 applicants.

**Street** – Assistant Street Commissioner Land informed Council that Bobby Jones is home from the hospital, but is not doing very well. They may need to hire a replacement.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS:** Councilman Berkemeier commended Aaron Gurley on his year of positivity on facebook.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. **Trash Options** – Councilman Smith said he spoke to Carole Yeend regarding the pick-up for clean green that was discussed at the previous meeting. She is okay with adding that piece to the ordinance. Smith said he will add that piece and send to Council for final review.

Tom Painter said Carole Yeend asked him to attend the meeting to discuss the re-location of the recycle containers. Painter works for CGS and picks up the recycling materials 3 times a week. He suggested moving the drop off to the Smiley location. He said this might keep trash out of recycle containers. Pavey will have a conversation with Yeend.

2. **Ordinance 2017-1 Amending Ordinance 2015-2 Fees for Permits & Inspections** – Smith moved to approve Ordinance 2017-1. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **End of Year Board Appointments** – Utility Board appointment is a 4 year appointment. Smith moved to re-appoint Brian Bess to the Utility Board. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bob Bridges will remain as the ECDC representative.

Smith made a motion to re-appoint all of the same council appointments if the appointees are agreeable. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The following will serve as department liaisons:

Utility – Bridges, Smith, and Conner will alternate as necessary.

Animal – Bridges

Park – Smith

Fire – Conner

Police – Cameron

Planning - Berkemeier

Council president - Bridges

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

##### **1. Corridor Overlay**

- a. **Beacon Credit Union** – Requesting signs. Bridges made a motion to approve the corridor overlay for Beacon Credit Union. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- b. **Pizza Hut** – Request for a new freezer. Cameron moved to approve the corridor overlay for Pizza Hut. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- c. **RMH** – Request for a MRI modular facility on the hospital campus without plumbing. Smith said it does not comply and wanted more information. Cameron made a motion to table and ask for further information. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

##### **2. APC/BZA Suspension Interlocal Agreement** – Smith made a motion to approve the Suspension of the Interlocal Agreement with the Joint APC/BZA and to reimburse the County as outlined. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

##### **3. 2016 Encumbrances** – Berkemeier made a motion to approve the encumbrances to be carried forward to the 2017 budget. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**CLAIMS APPROVAL & NOVEMBER BANK RECONCILEMENT** – Berkemeier moved to approve the claims as presented and the November 2016 bank reconciliation. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE:** None.

**ADJOURN:** There was no further business to come before Council; Conner moved to adjourn. Berkemeier seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.